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FOR: PREVENTIVE OR AMELIORATING AGENT FOR LIVER DISEASE INVOLVING HEPATOPATHY		

AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed January 6, 2010, the Office is respectfully requested to consider and enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application. Applicants petition herewith a THREE-month extension of time, extending the period of response until July 6, 2010.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.

The paper is concurrently filed with a **Notice of Appeal**.